Bulwer, Carlyle, and Dickens.

In a late German work, "Weiter und Weiter," we find the following interesting gossip on several literary celebrities of England:-

Bulwer lives in his beautiful villa in l'ul-ham, a quiet, lonely village above London. A tranquility disturbed by nothing reigns in the house. Notwithstanding the warm spring day, Bulwer sits near the fireplace, where a bright coal fire is burning. Ontside, the branches of a cherry tree, covered with an exuberance of blossoms, hang down on the window, and the low chirping notes of the birds penetrate into the room.

The celebrated author-a tall, slender form, wrapped in a sky-blue, soft-lined, silken morning gown, which is fastened with a strong cord around his waist-sits at his large empty table, and has before him only a blank book in which he writes his new novels. His large, light-blue eyes cast longing glances out of the window; his auburn hair flows in ringlets down on his high, narrow forehead; the large, slender nose hangs over his small mouth, and his red whiskers fall from his long and narrow chin on his breast. The whole face looks decidedly too long. He has a sickly appearance, and is abstracted. His family affairs are at the bottom of his melancholy, which no one can fail to perceive. His little daughter died; his son, the heir of his barenetcy, is estranged from him; and his wife, Lady Bulwer, has long since been separated from him, and lives in the city.

Let us enter her room. She sits at her writing-table, for she is likewise at work upon a novel. Her corpulent form, her round face, her radiant, deep blue eyes, her raven hair, everything forms a striking contrast with the appearance of her husband. She contemplates the portrait of her son; she charges her husband with being another Lovelace, and refusing to pay her debts. Her large eyes look at us languidly; her full cheeks contain a number of dimples, such as Rubens liked to paint; her lips are still as swelling, fresh, and red as those of Titian's daughters, and yet she is much over forty. On thinking of this our suspicions are aroused; the crimson on her cheeks is too fragrant; the heavy braids surmounting her forehead are too black; her manners are decidedly too kind and polite, and cannot be sincere: we escape from her, bearing in mind the bleeding heart of her melancholy husband, and the mournful tone of his novels.

But let us pass on. We reach another quiet village, Chelsea. On the lawn, in one of the gardens, sits Scotland's celebrated author, Thomas Carlyle. He has a book on his knees, and gazes thoughtfully into vacancy. His is a dry, gaunt form; he wears a morning-gown and cap, and draws heavy clouds of smoke frem his short clay pipe; he is the Diogenes of Chelsea. If you converse with him he is at first dry and laconic. He conducts you then to the pretty sitting-room of

Mrs. Carlyle is a lively, pleasant creature, and a world of thought beams from her dark eyes. She has learned a great deal; her father gave her a most profound education, and she is possessed of a keen yet mild judgment, of which her husband himself is afraid. But there she sits now, sewing with her handsome fingers a new cravat for her Diogenes. She wears an elegant morning costume.

In these surroundings we begin to feel at ease. The portraits of Goethe, young and old, and Jean Paul, are looking down upon us. Carlyle becomes talkative and witty, and displays his whole famous eloquence. But he is decidedly one-sided. You like to listen to him, but you must beware of interrupting him, and, above all, of contradicting him. He resembles a clear sounding bell: you touch it and it resounds, but only to itself. Nevertheless, we Germans are always well at ease in Carlyle's presence, for if there is an Euglishman who esteems and reveres our poets, it is

Let us go now to Charles Dickens. There are several ari-tocratic carraiges and plain hacks in front of his elegant residence, where a numerous party is assembled. The celebrated romancist has returned from an extended trip to Switzerland and Genoa, and gives to-night a soiree, such as are the order of the day, at his hospitable house. He is blonde, his eyes are light blue, his face flushed with wine, neithor meagre nor round, but brimful of good humor and kind heartedness. He is conversing with two ladies who cannot refrain from bursting into loud laughter. You can tell at once, on looking at his face, which is by no means expressive in itself, when Dickens describes, recites, or satirizes. Dickens is precisely as he writes-lively, sanguine, a bon ricant, now in a poetical mood, now observing, all seemingly superficial, and yet what a deep heart is concealed under this restless

If it is said that the currents of the world are injurious to genius, Dickens' example proves the contrary; for his creations spring from the observations of life; he would be nothing without seeing, observing, and living with what he beholds.

In former times, his wife, a stately lady, was to be seen on such occasions. Her black eyes, her full form, her measured conduct, were in striking contrast with those of her husband, and we regret to say that the quarrel which disturbed their relations and their happiness, after a blissful wedded life of many years, has not yet been settled. They are not yet reconciled. The husband drowns his cares in his literary activity and in the noisy bustle of the world.

A Mysterious Samson in Paris. "Echoes from the Continent," in the London

Herald, tells this story:—
"Verily, we live in mysterious times. I told you some time ago that there was at Paris, in the Rue le Pelletier, an arena where the most sturdy athletes of France wrestle three times a week. A few days ago the manager received a letter signed 'An Amaieur,' in which the said amateur proposed to fight successively with all his champions, on the condition that he should preserve the strictest incognito, and that i ould be as strictly respected. hext evening a brougham stopped at the arena and the amateur entered, wrapped in an ample clouk of black satin, enveloping him from head to foot. He sat down for a waile. One of the strongest athletes put himself in a fighting

"The amateur throws off his cloak at once. A

"The amateur throws off his cloak at once. A thrill of admiration runs through the speciators. His face and neck are covered with a thick black netting; a tissue of white silk strikingly delibrates the prodigious mu-cles of his torso; he wears black gloves and white pamis; his drawers are of black velvet.

"He comes to the athlete. The fight begins amid a dead silence. The masked man tries to lay hold of the athlete. His hands must be of iron, for the athlete. His hands must be of iron, for the athlete is rearing each time they touch ble sides. After three minutes of parrying the unknown man succeeds in grasping the athlete, bluntly bends his back, and throws him on the ground. on the ground.

The crowd is frantie; a thunder of applause saluter the victory of the modern Samson, who quiette arms himself in his black cloak and exits by a side door.

"Who a her No one can tell, but Echo will surely penetrate his incoenito."

- England has paid out already more than two million dollars on the iron-clad Northumberland.

The Sun's Atmosphere.

In a lecture on Spectrum Analysis, delivered before the keyal Institution of Great Britain, Dr. W. A. Miller said:— "The rhenomenon to which I am geing now

to direct your attention is only visible on those care occasions when the disc of the sun is obscured by the passage of the moon between us and its body. In those cases, and under sultable conditions, we have an opportunity of accertaining that the sun is surrounded by a vast a mosphere which is not in that intensely glowarmosphere which is not in that intensely glow-leg and meandescent condition which the sur-face that we usually see is. I have here a photograph which represents an observation made by Mr. De la Rue in July, 1840. This in-dicates to us the appearance which is seen when the whole disc of the sur, which is visible under ordinary circumstances, is entirely eclipsed by the moon. You will notice that round to cark body of the moon we have a remarkable balo of light, and that this halo is at certain points a uch more brilliant than at others—that, point of fact, there are clouds thrown up into

Some of these clouds have been seen deached from each other. It is estimated that the ght at which these clouds occur is in some cases at least 72,000 miles from the surface of the sun, so that around the sun there is a vast atmosphere invisible under ordinary circum stances, into which invisible atmosphere are projected what you see here, and what have been called red flames, clouds, probably, of in-candescent matter. In this photograph the solar atmosphere is all of one uniform tint, but as actually seen, its projections, instead of being willte, are of a rich, red color, and possess considerable photographic power. What the nature of these dames may be is a point or which further inquiries are necessary. It is probable that next year there will be an opportunity of making civations upon them under conditions more evolable than have ever existed since attention as directed to these points, for in the month of agust there will be a total eclipse of the sun, visible in the central portions of India, which will have the unusual duration of nearly five m nutes. Thus, if the almosphere is favorable, opportunity will be given to persons properly repared for making observations upon flames by means of the spectroscope, and thus probably, of ascertaining what the constituents

An English Estimate of Mr. Emerson. The London Review says:-"The enthusiasm with which Raiph Waldo Emerson is greeted in every part of the United States is a phenomenon which cannot escape the attention of those who study the affairs and tendencies of that country. During the last few years we find him at one time called to Washington to address the national representatives on the condition of the country, and alterwards engaged in a consulta-tion with President Lincoln; ast year Harvard University bestowed on him the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws; during the past winter he visited the West, and addressed the populations of its most important cities, which turned out in crowds to welcome and listen to him; St. Louis he held conversations with Hegelian club, which certain educated rmans have formed there; and more recently he has been unanimously chosen to deliver the chief oration of the Cambridge Commencement, having on the day before been elected by the Legislature of Massachusetts an overseer of that ustitution, the oldest and most important in the country. Thus, in his sixty-fourth year, and after a literary career of more than forty years, in which he has advocated the most sweeping herestes of the age, and been regarded by the mass or his shrewd and practical countrymen as an incomprehensible visionary, the seer opens the 'garden gate,' once sternly slammed in the face of the world, and steps into the arena; the prophet's mantle is thrown aside for the captain's armor. As Goethe said to the youth who proposed to emigrate, 'Your America is here or nowhere,' so Mr. Emerson seems to have found his transcendental Utopia bourgeoning forth all around him."

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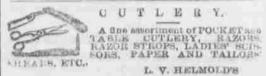
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PROPOSALS. PROPOSALS FOR DREDGEBOAT.

OFFICE U. S. ENGINEER AGENCY,
No. 7 Eowling Green, New Year City,
September 19, 1867.

The undersigned hereoy invites scaled proposals for building and equipping ready for sea and for work the first of the two Dredgeboats (authorized by joint resolution of Congress approved March 29, 1867) for improving the mouth of the Mississippi river, in accordance with models, drawings, and specifications visible at this office, and instructions to be furnished by the Engineer in charge; the Dredgeboat to be delivered at such point in the Mississippi river at or below New Orleans, as the Engineer in charge may direct.

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The Dredgeboat to be a double-ender, 160 feet long, 3c feet beam, and 22 feet high, measured from the bottom; of the keel to the surface of the spar-deck at amidships; to have a screw propeller at each end, one of which is to be 14 feet directer, driven by two engines, and the other 12 feet diameter, and driven by one; to be fitted with water compartments for readily adjusting the draft to any depth from 14 to 20 feet; to be fitted with an anxiliary scraper at each end; fitted with an auxiliary scraper at each end; and many of the parts to have a strength con-siderably exceeding that of like parts of steamers

of like dimensions designed for ordinary ocean of fixe dimensions designed for ordinary ocean navigation.

During the construction of the Dredgeboat reasonable facilities for inspecting the materials and workmanship must be afforded the officer or agent appointed for the purpose.

The Dredgeboat to be propelled throughout her sea voyage between the points of construction and delivery by her own engines alone.

Bits which do not cover the entire construction and equipments ready for the sea and for work of the Dredgeboat, and her delivery at the point designated, will not be considered.

No bids will be considered except from those practically engaged in the construction of ocean steamers, or serew propeller machinery for the same, and who have personally inspected the model and drawings of the Dredgeboat, or employed experts for the purpose of informing them of its character.

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Bids to be indorsed (on the envelope) "Proposals for Dredgeboat," and addressed to the undersigned at this office.

Each bid must be accompanied by a guarantee signed by two guarantors, that the bidder will enter into contract as herein stated, and a certificate of the responsibility of the guarantors, and specifying the occupation of the bidders, signed by an officer of the United States Corps of Engineers, or some other competent person known to the undersigned.

Proposals will be received till 12 M., on the 12th day of October, 1867, at which time they will be opened. The contract and bond must be signed by the lith day of October, 1867, work must be actually begun on both hull and ma-

will be opened. The contract and bond must be signed by the lith day of October, 1867; work must be actually begun on both hull and machinery by the 20th day of October, 1867; the boat must be completed, ready for sea and for work, and the trials and trial trip had by the 31st day of March, 1868, and no unnecessary delay thereafter must occur in her delivery at the point designated.

Payments will be made as follows:—Forty per cent, of the contract price on launching the boat and completion of the boilers and the cylinders of the three propeller engines, provided all these shall have been duly approved; thirty-five per cent, on approval of the boat after completion of all its parts, ready for sea and for work, by the duly authorized officer or agent of the United States, all the trials and the trial trip having been had, provided the terms of the contract shall thus far have been complied with, and the balance on final acceptance at the point of delivery.

Bonds for the faithful performance of the contract in the sum of \$25,009 will be required, with two sureties, whose sufficiency must be certified by the Clerk of the nearest District Courl, the names of the surreties, whith the certificate, to be submitted with the bid.

The bids and guarantees must be made out on the printed forms to be had at this office.

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Model and detailed drawings can be seen and copies of specifications had at this office. Copies of the specifications can also be seen at the United States Engineer's offices in Philadelphia and Poston. and Boston.

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In order that no time may be lost after the contract shell be signed, full detailed drawings of all parts of the Dredgeboat are in progress, and will be in readiness to turn over to the contractor so that work may be begun without tractor so that work may be begun without delay, on account of preparation of working drawings.

M. D. Mcalloster.

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